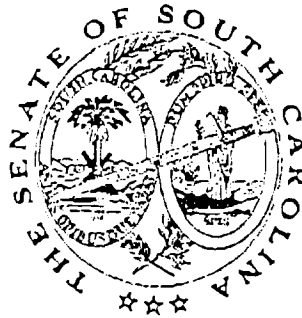


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RE: Proposed Settlement of Department of Justice Antitrust Action Against Microsoft

Dear Ms. Hesse:

I support the decision of the Attorney General of the United States to negotiate a settlement of the Department of Justice antitrust action against Microsoft. I understand that nine of the eighteen suing states have also decided to join in the proposed settlement.

The parties negotiated intensively over a long period of time. They agreed to a settlement that will protect consumers and encourage competition and growth in the technology sector of our economy. It is time to end the litigation and the uncertainty and to bring this case to a conclusion.

Yours truly,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "John C. Land, III".

John C. Land, III  
Chairman, Senate Democratic Caucus

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